

Members Present: Co-Chair, Justine Gengras, Co- Chair, Earl Bagley, Tom Hoopes, Roger Burgess, and David Lawrence.

Others Present: Dawn Wallace – Alton Beach Committee Member

Members Absent: Stephan McMahon – Selectmen's Representative

Call Meeting to Order:

Co-Chairman J. Gengras called the meeting to order at 7:10p.m.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion made by D. Lawrence to amend the agenda to include under Presentations: Dawn Wallace – Alton Beach Committee Member seconded by E. Bagley. The motion passed with all in favor.

Public Input:

None at this time

Approval of Minutes:

Approval of minutes from November 10, 2005 meeting and November 18, 2005 special meeting.

J. Gengras moved to accept the minutes for November 18, 2005 special meeting with changes to include map and lot seconded by R. Burgess. The motion passed with all in favor. Because there was a span from the 11-10-05 meeting to the 12-8-05 meeting, the Commissioners agreed to approve the 11-10-05 meeting minutes at the 12-22-05 meeting.

Planning Board Agenda Items:

T. Hoopes mentioned that C. Balcius from the Alton Planning Board is proposing a 25' no cut buffer on all wetlands, also wetlands and steep slopes on all sub-division not just rural zone but residential rural also.

The Planning board is also working on overlay regulations.

The sections of the Zoning Ordinance are being reformatted and there will also be changing and adding of definitions.

As far as Telecommunications and wireless towers go, the town maybe withdrawing and putting forth a new ordinance regarding wireless and telecommunications facilities.

Presentations:

Dawn Wallace – Alton Beach Committee Member – from the Bandstand to Jones Field milfoil is a big issue and problem. NHDES came to Alton and did an educational class on what milfoil looked like and how to remove it properly to prevent further spreading. The problem with the boats is that the props are cutting through the milfoil and just dropping it off the props

from the boats, which makes the milfoil spread.

T. Hoopes mentioned that Mr. Parker did a milfoil harvest years ago.

D. Wallace said she is working with Jody Connor on the milfoil situation.

D. Wallace is at this meeting to ask the Conservation Commission to write a letter of support to the Selectmen requesting NHDES to do a milfoil assessment.

D. Wallace stated that the price ranges from \$2000.00 to \$10,000.00.

J. Gengras asked if the assessment was free and that parameters needed to be set for the assessment.

Motion made by T. Hoopes for the Conservation Commission to write a letter of support to the Selectmen and NHDES, seconded by E. Bagley. Motion passed with all in favor.

Standard Dredge and Fill:

1. Ed & Judy Morin Map 54 Lot 35 – Build a small family perched beach per Wt. 304.08. Propose a 15' wide X 9' deep on 111.5' average shoreline. 135 sq. ft. within the bank.

Discussion:

The Commissioners noted that there is neither a signed nor notarized letter from the abutter, the proposal doesn't meet the 20' setback, and the proposal doesn't meet NHDES rules for a perched beach.

Motion made by E. Bagley and seconded by D. Lawrence to send comment letter recommending the plans be revised to meet NHDES rules and that the photos do not illuminate the situation. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

2. Dennis Kivley Map 76 Lot 64 – Construct a 42 linear foot breakwater with a 4'X40' cantilevered dock, 1) 4'X4' platform and 4' wide stairs on shore.

Discussion:

The Commissioners reviewed the plans and noted that the plans appear to meet NHDES rules.

Motion made by J. Gengras to send standard letter of no objection, seconded by E. Bagley. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

3. James Mooney Map 79 Lot 9 – Construct a 64' breakwater, 4'X42' cantilevered dock and 4'X24' walkway to existing dock.

Discussion:

The Commissioners reviewed the plans and noted that the plans appear to meet NHDES rules.

Motion made by J. Gengras to send standard letter of no objection, seconded by E. Bagley. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Notification of Routine Roadway and Railway Maintenance Activities

None at this time

Permit by Notification:

None at this time

Minimum Impact Expedited

None at this time

Commissioner Reports:

1. J. Gengras reports that after speaking with Russ Bailey, Town Administrator, that the Selectmen will take action on the Parkhurst Easement on December 19, 2005 unless taken to court before then.
2. J. Gengras reports that Peter Farrell has not made a report regarding the Town Forest. J. Gengras has left messages for him and has not heard from him as of yet.

Other Business:

1. David Herrick – Request for Shoreland Variance – no action taken
2. Belknap County Conservation District Donation – **Motion made by T. Hoopes and seconded by E. Bagley to send a \$100.00 donation.**

Adjournment:

Motion made by J. Gengras seconded by E. Bagley to adjourn at 9:30pm. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer M. Fortin
Secretary to the Alton Conservation Commission